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STATISTICAL ROUNDUP

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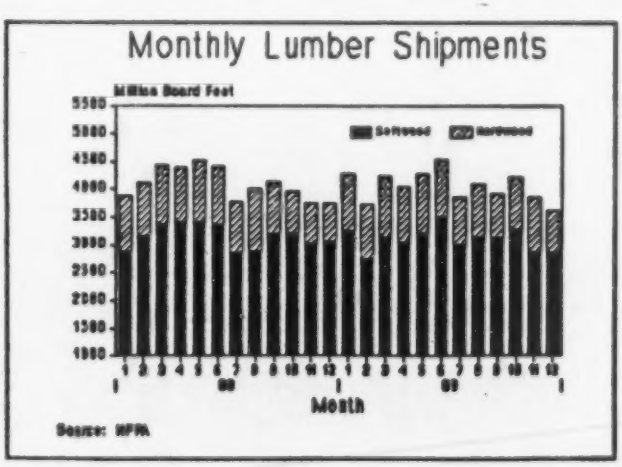
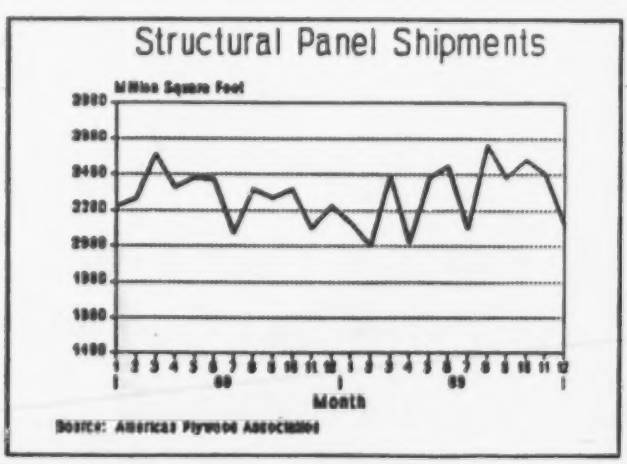
ESTIMATED INDUSTRY TOTALS BY PRODUCING REGION

	DECEMBER, 1989			DECEMBER 31, 1989		NOVEMBER REVISIONS		
	Production	Shipments	Orders Received	Unfilled Orders	Gross Stocks	Production	Shipments	Orders Received
	(Million Board Feet)					(Million Board Feet)		
SOFTWOOD LUMBER								
Southern Pine Region	899	908	854	635	2,050	990	1,000	960
West Coast Region	766	785	780	501	809	754	709	688
Inland Region	896	864	855	506	1,402	869	874	854
California Redwood Region	139	177	181	159	332	155	163	187
Other Softwoods	135	137	134	248	305	138	137	134
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	2,835	2,871	2,804	2,049	4,898	2,906	2,883	2,823
% Change - Nov. 1989	-2.4%	-0.4%	-0.7%	-3.2%	-0.7%			
% Change - Dec. 1988	-7.3%	-7.0%	-13.3%	-15.7%	-2.0%			
TOTAL HARDWOODS	775	750	458	NA	NA	905	971	1,011
% Change - Nov. 1989	-14.4%	-22.7%	-54.7%	NA	NA			
% Change - Dec. 1988	12.3%	12.9%	-33.5%	NA	NA			
TOTAL LUMBER	3,610	3,621	3,262	NA	NA	3,811	3,854	3,834
% Change - Nov. 1989	-5.3%	-6.0%	-14.9%	NA	NA			
% Change - Dec. 1988	-3.7%	-3.5%	-16.8%	NA	NA			
	(Thousand Feet)					(Thousand Feet)		
FLOORING								
Oak Flooring (Bd. Ft.)	NA	15,622	NA	9,503	7,644		16,587	
Maple Flooring (Sq. Ft.)	966	885	1,140	5,821	2,553	1,062	1,019	1,330
STRUCTURAL PANELS (Sq. Ft.)	2,115,846	2,122,173	2,074,552	1,008,764	453,000	2,388,463	2,409,976	1,954,606
% Change - Nov. 1989	-11.4%	-11.9%	6.1%	-13.0%	4.4%			
% Change - Dec. 1988	-1.4%	-4.6%	-1.2%	95.5%	2.7%			





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YEAR-TO-DATE INDICATORS

	PRODUCTION		SHIPMENTS		ORDERS RECEIVED	
	Latest Period Available	% Change	Latest Period Available	% Change	Latest Period Available	% Change
	12 mo.'89	12 mo.'88	12 mo.'89	12 mo.'88	12 mo.'89	12 mo.'88
			(Million Board Feet)			
TOTAL LUMBER	48,222	-2.7%	48,682	-0.9%	48,010	-1.8%
TOTAL SOFTWOOD	37,234	-2.3%	37,335	-1.7%	36,953	-3.0%
TOTAL HARDWOOD	10,988	-4.0%	11,347	1.6%	11,057	2.5%
			(Million Square Feet)			
STRUCTURAL PANELS	27,153	-1.5%	27,443	0.2%	26,875	2.2%

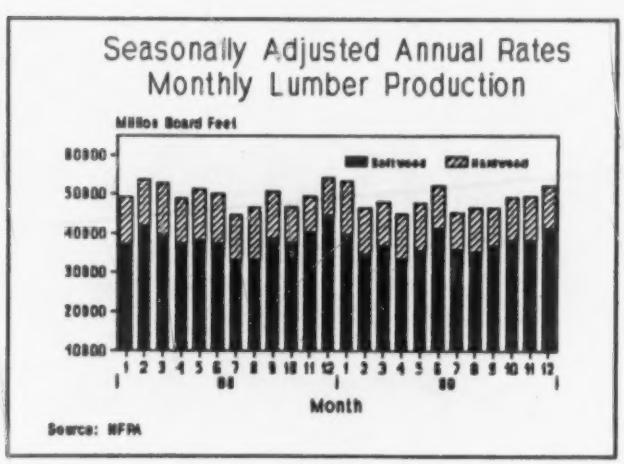
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ANNUAL RATES

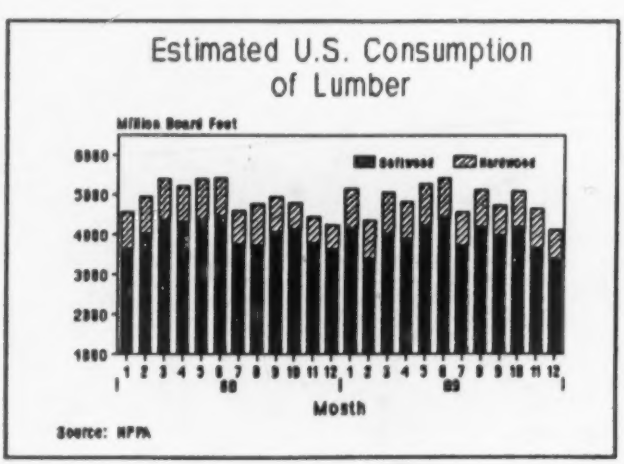
	PRODUCTION			SHIPMENTS		
		---% Change From--			---% Change From--	
LUMBER REGION	Dec. '89	Nov. '89	Dec. '88	Dec. '89	Nov. '89	Dec. '88
	(Million Board Feet)			(Million Board Feet)		
Southern Pine	12,705	-3.7%	-8.3%	12,704	-3.0%	-3.4%
West Coast	11,621	15.9%	-8.4%	10,720	16.7%	-9.6%
Inland	12,965	16.5%	-3.2%	11,697	12.4%	-8.3%
Calif. Redwood	2,185	-2.1%	-18.2%	2,377	5.6%	-6.8%
Other Softwoods	1,931	6.2%	-7.5%	1,835	6.4%	-6.8%
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	41,407	7.8%	-7.4%	39,332	7.3%	-7.0%
TOTAL HARDWOODS	10,745	-2.2%	12.3%	10,230	-11.8%	12.9%
TOTAL LUMBER	52,152	5.6%	-3.9%	49,562	2.7%	-3.5%

DOMESTIC LUMBER CONSUMPTION

	CURRENT			YEAR-TO-DATE	
	Latest Month Available	----% Change From----		Latest Period Available	% Change From
	Dec. '89	Nov. '89	Dec. '88	12 mo.'89	12 mo.'88
		(Million Board Feet)			
Total Consumption	4,125	-11.5%	-3.2%	58,429	-0.7%
Softwood Consumption	3,418	-7.4%	-6.9%	47,560	-2.0%
Hardwood Consumption	707	-27.3%	17.0%	10,869	NA

Note: U.S. consumption for the first quarter of 1989 is calculated based upon Canadian data on exports to the U.S. (source: Statistics Canada, COFI).



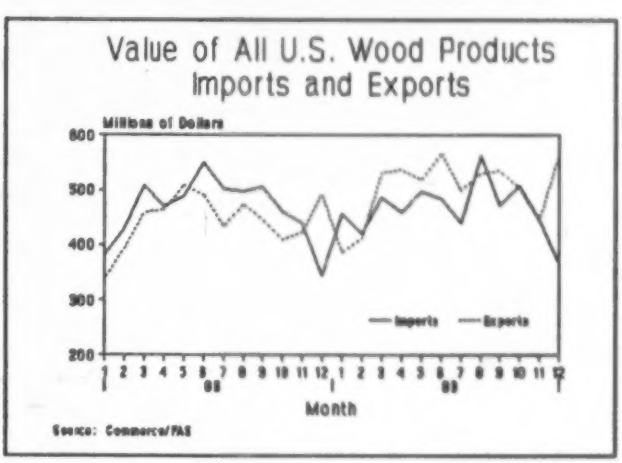


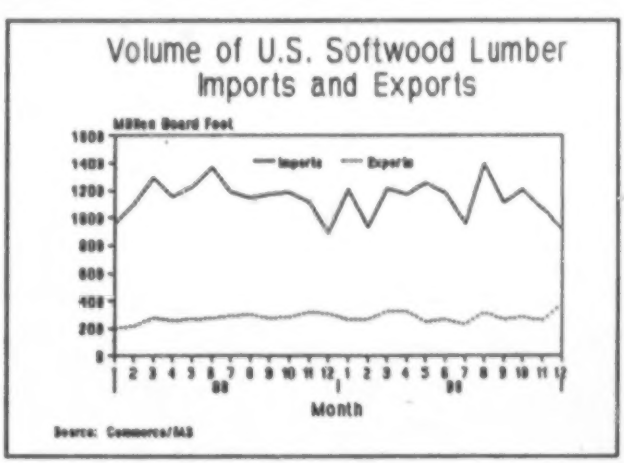
INTERNATIONAL TRADE STATISTICS

		VOLUME				VALUE (F.A.S. Thousands of Dollars)			
		Dec. '89	12 mo. 1989	% Chang From Nov. '89	% Chang From 12 mo. 1988	Dec. '89	12 mo. 1989	% Chang From Nov. '89	% Change From 12 mo. 1988
EXPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	372.6	3,414.3	43.3%	4.6%	134,468	1,404,140	22.0%	24.1%
To Canada	MMBF	35.2	481.4	6.9%	-4.0%	14,087	173,255	9.6%	16.6%
SOFTWOOD LOGS	MMBF	363.4	4,519.4	36.1%	-1.6%	188,425	2,146,155	44.4%	2.7%
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	266.5	1,445.1	NA	NA	55,581	267,892	117.9%	NA
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	62.2	853.3	8.8%	NA	51,404	642,558	1.9%	-1.8%
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	14.3	215.0	-5.2%	5.5%	19,688	227,473	-0.8%	42.2%
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	NA	NA	NA	NA	10,517	157,294	-30.4%	6.4%
HARDBOARD	MMSF 1/8"	22.1	427.5	-5.2%	NA	2,087	39,710	-18.5%	NA
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	16.0	169.9	6.8%	NA	5,448	63,612	2.1%	NA
MDF	MMSF 3/4"	8.6	162.9	-13.2%	NA	2,978	39,716	-17.8%	NA
ALL OTHER						89,234	987,273	18.3%	NA
TOTAL U.S. EXPORTS						565,595	6,030,398	27.6%	13.0%
IMPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	918.8	13,638.4	-13.9%	-1.2%	191,682	3,015,377	-16.5%	2.9%
From Canada	MMBF	909.7	13,525.9	-14.1%	-1.3%	189,075	2,980,732	-16.7%	3.3%
SOFTWOOD LOGS	MMBF	0.6	20.9	-35.6%	-62.5%	318	9,198	-26.6%	-37.6%
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	3.8	48.9	NA	NA	1,466	16,965	34.9%	-52.0%
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	18.6	375.6	-68.5%	-3.7%	10,904	152,396	-28.4%	-18.1%
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	1.1	18.4	13.3%	50.5%	1,189	17,475	18.5%	421.5%
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	NA	NA	NA	NA	12,751	160,553	-3.8%	-0.3%
HARDWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSFsurf	198.9	2,902.1	-9.5%	-11.0%	29,626	499,518	-31.6%	-7.9%
HARDBOARD	MMSF 1/8"	39.6	723.8	-11.5%	14.3%	2,747	46,958	-10.5%	-4.0%
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	34.8	378.2	32.6%	-35.0%	8,458	96,028	18.6%	NA
MDF	MMSF 3/4"	1.4	48.8	-83.9%	NA	281	11,707	-69.3%	NA
ALL OTHER						104,389	1,536,289	-19.3%	NA
TOTAL U.S. IMPORTS						365,962	5,600,915	-18.0%	0.4%

Notes: (1) Volume data may contain errors because of transition to the HS system of tariff classification. Commerce data reported in metric units under the HS are converted to U.S. standard units of measure for this table.
(2) Because of new HS classifications, certain year-to-year changes are not meaningful and, thus, are noted with an NA.
(3) Because of revisions made to data on hardwood lumber exports, year-to-year changes are not meaningful.
(4) Because of suspected reporting errors, first quarter U.S. imports of softwood lumber are based on Canadian export statistics (source: Statistics Canada & COFI). Imports of other pine lumber for the period July - December, 1989, were adjusted based on average per unit value of imports during the first six months of the year. Hence, NFPA-reported softwood lumber imports vary from official government estimates.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, FAS.





U.S. EXPORTS TO MAJOR MARKETS

		VOLUME				VALUE (F.A.S. Thousands of Dollars)			
		Dec. '89	% Change From Nov. '89	YTD '89	% Change From YTD '88	Dec. '89	% Change From Nov. '89	YTD '89	% Change From YTD '88
EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY									
Softwood Lumber	MBF	35,980	17.6%	395,432	-19.1%	27,547	20.0%	250,786	8.0%
Softwood Logs	MBF	801	97.3%	10,970	-31.0%	371	87.4%	5,122	10.1%
Softwood Plywood	MSF 3/8"	238,150	152.8%	1,128,653	45.0%	49,809	155.8%	202,814	18.9%
Hardwood Lumber	MBF	18,056	-0.7%	267,033	NA	20,243	-0.3%	245,514	-3.5%
Hardwood Logs	MBF	5,252	7.0%	81,775	31.6%	7,820	12.0%	88,992	34.4%
Hardwood Veneer	MSFsurf	NA	NA	NA	NA	6,110	-32.9%	90,315	3.7%
Particleboard	MSF 3/4"	1,049	1338.8%	4,825	NA	406	612.3%	1,953	NA
MDF	MSF 3/4"	197	NA	5,332	NA	109	-2.7%	2,378	NA
Hardboard	MSF 1/8"	409	-48.5%	54,019	44.4%	47	-60.5%	4,563	-24.3%
Other		NA	NA	NA	NA	6,795	5.4%	98,165	NA
Subtotal						119,101	39.3%	987,366	9.1%
PACIFIC RIM									
Softwood Lumber	MBF	214,210	57.5%	1,716,132	10.5%	56,100	12.7%	677,882	22.4%
Softwood Logs	MBF	327,651	32.8%	4,227,545	1.5%	178,081	43.2%	2,053,611	2.4%
Softwood Plywood	MSF 3/8"	NA	NA	NA	NA	359	-39.9%	4,192	-24.1%
Hardwood Lumber	MBF	17,720	-2.5%	273,902	NA	17,105	-2.4%	215,450	2.7%
Hardwood Logs	MBF	5,639	26.4%	90,017	-2.8%	7,294	15.3%	96,491	41.2%
Hardwood Veneer	MSFsurf	NA	NA	NA	NA	2,355	-16.7%	37,047	26.9%
Particleboard	MSF 3/4"	8,729	17.3%	84,138	NA	1,844	27.0%	20,037	NA
MDF	MSF 3/4"	7,763	-14.7%	144,131	NA	2566	-21.1%	31,183	NA
Hardboard	MSF 1/8"	5,685	-40.2%	134,676	26.3%	592	-40.9%	10,965	-47.8%
Other		NA	NA	NA	NA	53,318	19.9%	553,414	NA
Subtotal						319,614	27.0%	3,700,271	11.4%

Notes: (1) EEC countries include: Belgium & Luxembourg, Denmark, France, West Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, United Kingdom. PACIFIC RIM countries include: Australia, China, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Singapore and Hong Kong.
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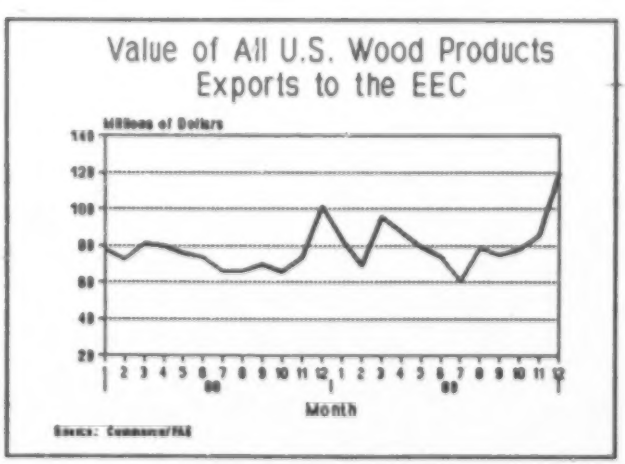

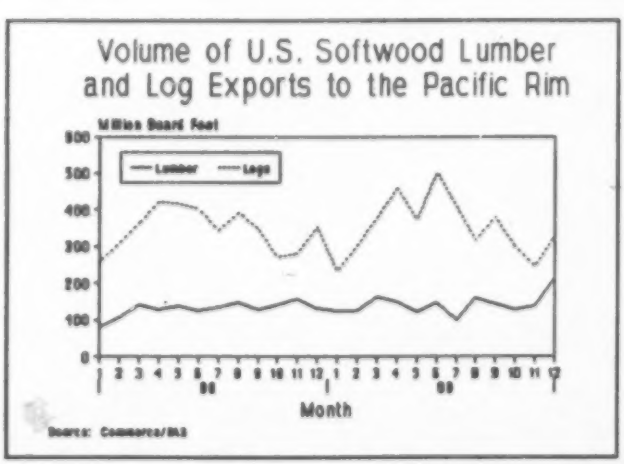

HOUSING STARTS

	Jan. '90	Dec. '89	Jan. '89	1 mo. '90	1 mo. '89
		(Thousands of Units)			
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED					
Total Private	102.0	73.3	100.1	102.0	1.9%
New Private Starts:					
Seas. Adj. Annual Rate	1,625	1,254	1,659	NA	NA
Northeast	194	140	288	NA	NA
Midwest	388	140	304	NA	NA
South	532	427	639	NA	NA
West	511	415	428	NA	NA
Single-Family					
Proportion of Total	69.8%			67.9%	
	Dec. '89	Nov. '89	Dec. '88	12 mo. '89	12 mo. '8
Shipment of Mobile Homes	11,700	15,100	14,200	198,000	-9.3%

INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT

	Dec. '89	----% Change From--- Nov. '89	Dec. '88
	(Thousands of Employees)		
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT (Seasonally Adj.)			
All Industries	109,548	0.1%	2.3%
All Manufacturing Industries	19,489	-0.1%	-1.3%
Lumber and Wood Products	766	0.1%	-0.6%